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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

A lithium battery comprising a positive electrode,
a negative electrode, and a non-aqueous electrolyte,

wherein manganese dioxide containing 0.1 to 3 % by weight of boron is used as said positive electrode and a lithium alloy containing 0.05 to 2 % by weight of aluminum is used as said negative electrode.

- 2. The lithium battery according to claim 1, wherein said boron is added to manganese dioxide by adding boric acid.
- 3. The lithium battery according to claim 1, wherein the positive electrode is produced by heat treatment of manganese dioxide after addition of boron at a temperature ranging from 350 to 430°C.
 - 4. The lithium battery according to claim 1, wherein 0.02 to 2 % by weight of phosphorus is further added to manganese dioxide of said positive electrode.